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In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated December 21, 2001, enclosed herewith are the following:

- 1) Copy of the Notice,
- 2) A set of drawings complying with 37 CFR 1.84(g),

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This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

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